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For: EVALUATION SYSTEM FOR FAULT DIAGNOSIS FUNCTION, COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT, AND COMPUTER READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

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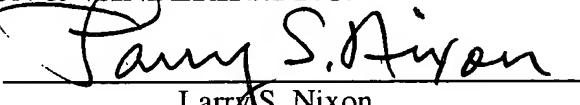
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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated 04/04/2005 finding that the applicant has claimed seven patentably distinct species (i.e., no one of which is made "obvious" in view of any other or combination of others under 35 U.S.C. §103), applicant hereby elects for further substantive examination in this case the patentably distinct species I to which Figures 1-3 and 6-7B are directed. Claims readable onto this patentably distinct species include claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 21-23.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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Total effective claims after amendment 0 minus highest number
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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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